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**YOUR GUIDE  
TO  
GETTING  
DIVORCED**





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## 5 REASONS TO HIRE A DIVORCE LAWYER

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### ENSURE YOU GET YOUR FAIR SHARE OF ASSETS

When going through a divorce, you will have to divide your property, assets, and debt during property division. Virginia has specific guidelines on how these assets can be split. With a divorce lawyer on your side, you can be assured that you will get what is rightfully yours.

### SETTLE AGREEMENTS

If you are getting divorced, it will most likely be difficult to see eye to eye with your spouse on issues regarding your finances, children, and alimony. This isn't uncommon for divorcing couples, but having a third party there can help each party come to a mutual agreement.

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### SAVE TIME AND MONEY

When filing for divorce, there are many forms to fill out and go through. Having a divorce lawyer on your side can ensure you fill these forms out correctly and on time. These forms are often confusing and if they are not filed correctly, you'll end up extending the amount of time it takes to finalize your divorce. On top of this, you'll spend even more money.

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### INFORM YOU OF CORRECT LAWS AND PROCEDURES

The divorce process includes several different aspects to consider. This means there are many different laws and procedures to keep up with throughout your divorce. However, a lawyer is knowledgeable of these laws and will help protect your rights throughout the entire process.

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### PROVIDE EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

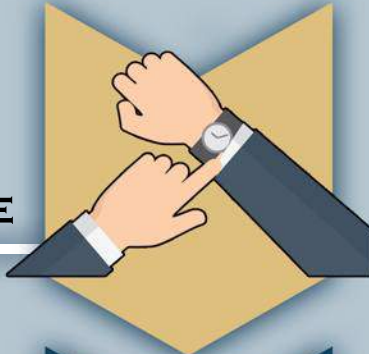
Getting divorced can be emotionally taxing. While a lawyer is there to help you file for divorce, they can also provide you with a shoulder to lean on. Additionally, a trustworthy divorce attorney can lessen your load, so you have more time to focus on your healing.

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# HOW TO MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION IN FAMILY LAW COURT

**BE ON TIME**



**HAVE A CLEAN AND  
NEAT APPEARANCE**



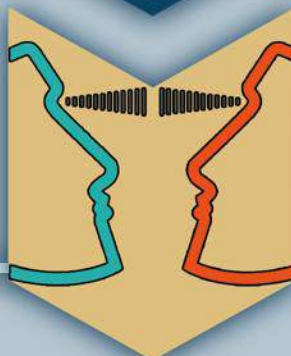
**SHOW A CONFIDENT  
ATTITUDE**



**DO NOT INTERRUPT  
OR OVERREACT**



**USE EYE CONTACT**





## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### WHAT ARE THE GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE?

- Willful desertion or abandonment
- Cruelty and reasonable apprehension of bodily harm
- Separation divorce (AKA a “no-fault” divorce)
- Adultery, sodomy, or buggery
- Conviction of a felony



### WHEN IS SPOUSAL SUPPORT AWARDED?

Only when it's necessary. Generally, courts award support in long-term marriages, if the spouses had a large gap in income, or if one spouse has a disability or doesn't have a job.



### HOW IS PROPERTY DIVIDED?

Property can be divided in two ways: Marital property is acquired or earned during marriage. Separate property belonged to either spouse prior to marriage. However, property that was received as a gift or inherited during or prior to a marriage is also separate property.



### WHO RECEIVES CUSTODY OF THE CHILDREN?

The court will look at all the factors in the child's current situation before deciding which parent to award custody to. The most important factor is what is in the child's best interest.







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Going through a divorce is never easy. If you are considering getting a divorce in Virginia, we hope this guide helps you make well-informed decisions throughout the process.

Remember, it's imperative you hire competent legal assistance. Getting a divorce is a complicated process that involves a lot of considerations and requirements, but the divorce lawyers at the Law Offices of Daniel J Miller are here to protect your rights.

We are dedicated to finding effective solutions to address your concerns. With our vast knowledge of the law and years of experience, we can provide our clients with the representation they deserve.

If you still have questions or concerns about divorce or any aspect of the process, contact us for a free consultation. The Law Offices of Daniel J Miller are available to provide guidance to all prospective clients.

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